

Weekly WIC Newsletter

January 1, 2017

Margo Stops

Margo Stops, who was the former CPA at the Crow WIC Program for 28 years, has passed away. Margo died on Christmas Day after a short battle with cancer. Her memorial service was held on December 28th. The family took her back to North Dakota for burial at the Guimont family cemetery outside of Manderee. Margo was an enrolled Hidatsa member of the Three Affiliated Tribes at Fort Berthold. For more information on Margo's life you can read the <u>Billings Gazette obituary</u>.

WIC Work Group

Our next WIC Work Group will be held January 10th and 11th in Helena, MT at the Holiday Inn Downtown. The <u>agenda</u> for this meeting and <u>minutes</u> from our last meeting are here for review. This meeting is open to observers; however, if you plan to attend you may need to plan on your own meals as we have already submitted our orders for those who have RSVP'd. Please contact <u>Kate</u> if you have any questions.

You may also visit our webpage for contact information if you would like one of the members to speak on your behalf related to any of the agenda items.

WIC Training

The next WIC training will be held January 5th at 9AM. The topic is "*Motivational Interviewing and Goal Setting*." This will be a recording and posted online for people who cannot attend. If you have questions regarding this training, please contact <u>Lacy Little</u>.

Infrastructure Grant Payment of Select Training

Remember if you are planning to attend the Certified Lactation Counselor Training and/or the Breastfeeding Learning Collaborative and have not already done so; send an email to Chris for your request. Send a separate email for each individual to cfoqelman@mt.gov. After January 11th, we will be making decisions on who will be covered by the infrastructure grant funds for both of those trainings.

Time Study for January

Please start recording your hours worked for January Time Study. The final deadline in February 5th.Thank you.

Weekly Risk Code Highlight

<u>Risk Code 904</u>, Environmental Tobacco Smoke Exposure (ETS) is defined (for WIC eligibility purposes) as exposure to smoke from tobacco products inside the homes. ETS is also known as passive, secondhand, or involuntary smoke.

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